

### REGULAR CALLED MEETING of the AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5:30 pm.

### City of Austin Permitting and Development Center 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr. Room 1401/1402 Austin, Texas 78752

Some African American Resource Advisory Commission members may be participating by videoconference. An audio meeting recording will be available online on the board commission's page twenty-four hours after the meeting ends.

Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once, in-person or remotely, and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone.

To register to speak remotely, call or email Florinda Bryant at 512.974.2715 florinda.bryant@austingtexas.gov.

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# AGENDA

# CALL TO ORDER

# PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first ten speakers signed up before noon on August 31<sup>st</sup> will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the African American Resource Advisory Commission, Regular Meeting on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 2. Presentation by **Pamela Benson Owens** of **Six Square** regarding 2022-2023 usage of grant funds for the City of Austin, Six Square Cultural Arts District, and Austin-wide Black community.
- 3. **David Gray, Assistant Director of EDD**, will share updates on the progress of unhoused neighbors being moved to the Marshalling Yard site, including a report on feedback from newly housed clients.
- 4. **Jose Lopez**, with the **AEDC**, to brief the Commission on releasing the RFP for East 11<sup>th</sup> Street Blocks 16 and 18 within the Urban Renewal District.
- 5. **Leah Bojo** and **Temaria Davis** with **Drenner Group Law Firm** to present updates about the development plans near Bethany Cemetery.

# **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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